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Subject: Introduction and Article

Hi, Sheela -

It was good visiting with you earlier today.

As I mentioned in our telephone call, I am forwarding to you an article that may be of interest to you. Further, I want to introduce you, via email, to Ms. Hagir Elawad, Director, Congressional Affairs, Embassy of the United Arab Emirates. I have copied Hagir on this email. Hagir is interested in matters related to the TIP report, and I thought an introduction would be mutually beneficial. Would it be possible to schedule an in-person meeting sometime soon? You mentioned that a meeting might have to wait until after June 2010, but if we could meet sooner, that would be great.

Hagir's information is below.

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Also, there is an article that came out in The National today that I want to call to your attention. It is entitled "*Child camel riders at controversial festival 'all Emirati'*," and gives more accurate information and additional details to the recent press report alleging the illegal use of child camel jockeys. The article may be found at <http://www.thenational.ae/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20100305/NATIONAL/703049852/1010> or by clicking on Read the story.

Please let me hear from you, and feel free to contact me if you have questions or need further information.
Best regards,

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